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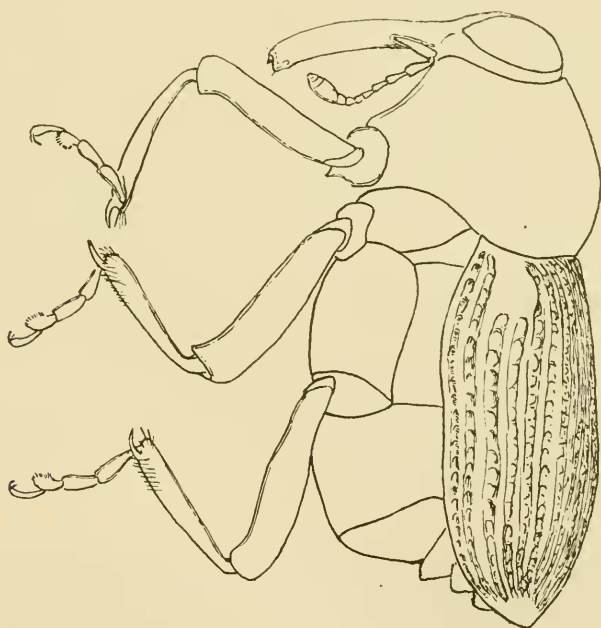
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A NEW COTTON WEEVIL FROM PERU.

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The identification of samples of a small Zygopid weevil, accompanied by larvae, pupae, and parasites, having been requested, the following description is offered to permit the correlation of the two succeeding papers. Dr. C. H. T. Townsend, who submitted the samples, states that the species breeds in cotton, attacking the stem at the surface of the ground, and that the larvae bore to the center of the stalk, causing the plant to fall over.



*Eulechriops gossypii*, n. sp.

The genotype of *Eulechriops* Faust, 1896, is unknown to me, but the species here described follows the characters given by

Champion, 1906 (Biol. C. A., Coleopt., vol. 6, pt. 5, pp. 109-110), to species Nos. 25-27 of his key, differing in ornamentation from the Central American species which he figures. It also differs from species of this genus known to me through specimens or figures in having the rostrum much less curved, and from the genotype of *Zygomicros* Casey, 1897, which may not be congeneric with Faust's species, in the rostrum being parallel instead of strongly widened apically, as well as in the more shallowly concave mesosternum.

***Eulechriops gossypii*, new species.**

Elongate-oval, black, feebly shining; feebly ornamented above with suberect, curved spatulate white hairs forming small clusters at hind angles of pronotum, before scutellum, and more prominent on elytral interstices 2 to 5 in basal fifth and on second to fourth interstices at apical third; rest of dorsal vestiture brown decumbent hairs; antennae, legs, and rostrum testaceous, elytral apices and suture faintly rufescent. Length, 2.3-2.5 mm.; width, 1.3 mm. Habitat, Peru.

Rostrum almost straight, slightly flattened, shining, impunctate except in basal fourth (♀) or with punctures decreasing apically (♂); antennae inserted at basal fifth, second funicular joint almost as long as first. Pronotum feebly gibbous posteriorly, coarsely, contiguously punctate, the white scale-like hairs extending narrowly along sides and downward behind eyes. Elytra coarsely sulcate, striae punctures elongate, intervals not wider than striae, flat, and subalutaceous; humeral umbone prominent, convex, and strongly alutaceous; apices separately rounded, slightly extended in a subhorizontal plane behind the subapical gibbosity. Legs slender, femora sulcate beneath, posterior femora not attaining tip of elytra. Mesasternum and abdomen clothed with white scales which are conspicuously smaller, narrower, and denser in a median area on first abdominal segment of the male.

*Type locality*.—Shomboloa, Julao, near Lamas, Peru. 2,300 feet altitude, Aug. 4, 1925, Townsend.

*Type*, ♀; and *allotype*, ♂.—Cat. No. 28858, U. S. N. M.

In the male the post-median elytral fascia is somewhat extended laterally by the occurrence of two or three white hairs on interstices 5 to 8. Described from two specimens believed to be ♀ ♂, although not dissected. The accompanying figure was drawn from the male.

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**IMMATURE STAGES OF EULECHRIOPS GOSSYPPI BARBER, WITH  
COMMENTS ON THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE TRIBE  
ZYGOPSINI (COLEOPTERA: CURCULIONIDAE).**

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**INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.**

The material from which the following descriptions of the larva and pupa of *Eulechriops gossypii* Barber is made was col-